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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JUNE 10, 2003 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR A THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is filed in response to a June 10, 2003 Office Action issued by the Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Office Action was originally due on September 10, 2003. Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) for a three-month extension of time. The required small entity fee for a three month extension of time is \$475.00 and a check including this amount is enclosed herewith. As a result, the deadline for responding to the June 10, 2003 Office Action is now December 10, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending objections and rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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